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OIT #0681-88

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

FROM: Edward J. Maloney
Director of Information TechnologySUBJECT: Request by Admiral Turner for Access to Classified
Records Compiled During His Tenure as DCI

1. Background. By letter dated 23 May 1988 to the Director of Central Intelligence, Admiral Stansfield Turner requested copies of [redacted] as well as access to certain classified personal files and Directorate of Intelligence (DI) reporting concerning the Iranian Hostage Crisis which were compiled during his tenure as DCI. The unclassified biographic reports have been provided; the issue pending is whether he should be permitted access to the classified information which he states that he needs to assist him in completing a book on terrorism.

2. Admiral Turner's request is controlled by the provisions of Sec. 4.3 of Executive Order 12356 which permits, inter alia, access by former Presidential appointees to items "originated, reviewed, signed, or received" by them while they occupied such positions. This provision of the Executive Order and our implementing regulations, [redacted], not create an entitlement. Rather, they grant the CIA discretionary authority to permit such access when determined to be consistent with national security interests, when the individual holds a currently valid security clearance, and when the individual signs an agreement to safeguard the information and to submit his notes and manuscript to the Publications Review Board (PRB) for classification review. These requirements are, by their very terms, mandatory. Access under this provision is administered by the CIA Information & Privacy Coordinator/MG/OIT.

3. Recommendation. Based on our research, we have learned that Admiral Turner was granted access to his personal files a number of times by Mr. Casey. Inasmuch as there does not appear to be any policy or factual issue arguing against this precedent, I recommend that access to his personal files be granted in this instance.

4. Although access to DI reporting was mentioned only in passing in Admiral Turner's letter, such access presents a greater problem. I understand that the DI would prefer that Admiral Turner advise them of [redacted]

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his particular interests vis-a-vis the Iranian hostage crisis and that access to responsive reports, if any, be made under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act

5. The Information Review Officers for the DO and DI, as well as the Director, Public Affairs Office, and the Office of General Counsel, concur in the foregoing. A memorandum to the Acting DCI for your signature recommending access and an appropriate letter to Admiral Turner for the signature of the Acting Director of Central Intelligence are attached.

Edward J. Maloney

Attachments:
As stated.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: R. M. Huffstutler
Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT: Approval of Access to Certain Classified Information
by Former Director of Central Intelligence

REFERENCE: Letter from Stansfield Turner to DCI, dtd 23 May 88,
Same Subject

1. Admiral Stansfield Turner had segregated certain materials in the Executive Registry to which he has requested access by letter dated 23 May 1988. These materials are limited to items Admiral Turner originated, reviewed, signed or received while serving as Director of Central Intelligence and which contain information over which the Central Intelligence Agency has classification jurisdiction.

2. I recommend that his request for access be granted as consistent with the interests of national security contingent upon Admiral Turner's execution of a secrecy agreement and written consent to the Agency's review of the notes and manuscripts derived from such access.

3. The access requested by Admiral Turner under the conditions set forth in paragraph 2 is authorized by Executive Order 12356 and, based on the concurrence of the Office of General Counsel, I recommend a favorable response to Admiral Turner's request.

R. M. Huffstutler

APPROVED:

Acting Director of Central Intelligence

Date

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Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN

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Dear Stan,

This is with further respect to your letter of 23 May requesting access to certain classified personal files concerning the Iranian hostage crisis which you compiled during your tenure as DCI.

Our Executive Registry has located the files you requested and we will be pleased to make arrangements for your access. As you may be aware, such access is controlled by the provisions of Executive Order 12356 and CIA

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which provide for a discretionary waiver of the "need to know" requirement upon execution of a secrecy agreement and written consent to the Agency's review of notes and manuscripts derived from such access. Please contact [redacted] our Deputy Executive Secretary, on [redacted] to make arrangements for your review.

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Please extend my best to your family. I trust that the data which the Judge provided previously was of assistance to you at the naval conference in Oslo.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Gates

Acting Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT: (Optional)

Request for Admiral Turner to Review Classified Documents

FROM:

Henry P. Mahoney
A/DDA
7D24 Hqs

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DDA 88-1300

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16 June 1988

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Admiral Turner, in his 23 May 1988 memorandum to the DCI (attached), expressed interest in reviewing classified personal files which he left behind and selected Agency studies or reports to assist him in writing a book on combatting terrorism. I understand that there is no record of a similar request from any other former presidential appointee, so clear procedures may not be in place. We need to determine what needs to be done and what procedures to follow to enable him to review appropriate classified documents. Please provide this information to me by 24 June so that I might advise the DCI.

Hank

Attachment:
As stated

STANSFIELD TURNER

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May 23, 1988

Dear Bill:

Recently I accepted an invitation to participate in the Pugwash Conference on "Naval Forces: Arms Restraint and Confidence Building" in Oslo on June 23rd.

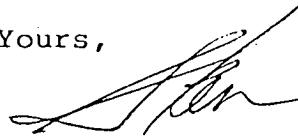
I, of course, am not going as a representative of our government, but I would like to be careful, and not do or say anything that would be inimical to our interests.

I would also like to ask your help in connection with the book I am ~~currently writing on how to combat terrorism~~. The book will focus on the ~~44-day hostage crisis in 1979-1981~~. I need to refresh my memory of some of my activities during that crisis. It was my understanding when I left the government, that Presidential appointees were entitled to continue to have access to classified documents extant during their time in office. In my case, I am interested in reviewing a set of classified personal files I left behind, and perhaps a ~~few agency studies or reports of that period~~. I would much appreciate it if it were possible to come in and look at such documents sometime in July.

Anything I write as a result of this and other research, will, of course, be cleared with the Publications Review Board.

I certainly will appreciate your consideration on both of these issues. Karin joins in sending our very best.

Yours,



Stansfield Turner

Honorable William Webster
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

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International Peace Research Institute, Oslo
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Oslo, 6. mai 1988

Dear Admiral Turner,

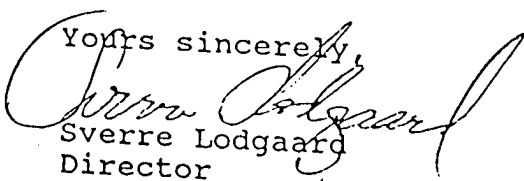
We are pleased to note that you have accepted the invitation to attend the PRIO-Pugwash symposium on "Naval Forces: Arms Restraint and Confidence-Building".

Enclosed please find the timetable for the meeting, and the list of invitees who have confirmed their participation. There will be a couple of more participants, but in order to facilitate the discussions we are determined to limit the number of participants to about 25.

We will be back in the end of this month with further information about the content of each session, and about the practical arrangements for the meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you in Oslo, I remain

Yours sincerely,


Sverre Lodgaard
Director

